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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
: Examiner: A. Do  
NORIBUMI KOITABASHI, ET AL. )  
: Group Art Unit: 2853  
Appln. No.: 09/931,256 )  
: Filed: August 17, 2001 )  
: For: INK-JET APPARATUS EMPLOYING )  
: INK-JET HEAD HAVING A )  
: PLURALITY OF INK EJECTION )  
: HEATERS CORRESPONDING TO )  
: EACH INK EJECTION OPENING ) October 30, 2003

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Introductory Comments

Prior to examination on the merits, the Examiner is respectfully requested to  
amend the above-identified application as follows.

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